GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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Cultivation of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of area under cultivation of oilseeds, pulses, oil palm and maize in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) and the National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) are under implementation to enhance the acreage and production of oilseeds, pulses, oil palm and maize and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide incentives to the farmers and impart training to them to grow the said crops and reduce their import in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the best hybrid quality seeds of the said crops developed and provided to the farmers to improve their production and availability in the country during the said period, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): State-wise details of area coverage of oilseeds, pulses, maize and oil palm in the country during 2016-17 (as per Third Advance Estimates) are given in Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): In order to enhance the area and production of pulses, maize, oilseeds and oil palm, Government of India is implementing National Food Security Mission (NFSM) -Pulses, NFSM - Coarse Cereals and National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) programme in the country respectively.

Under these Programmes/Schemes, latest crop production technologies and improved varieties are being promoted through cluster demonstrations at farmers' fields including assistance for various critical inputs like integrated nutrient management, integrated pest management, water saving devices, farm implements/ tools and cropping system based training to farmers by State Governments and ICAR Institutes including Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs).

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Under the Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension (SAME), 'Support to State Extension Programs for Extension Reforms (ATMA)' scheme is under implementation in 652 districts of 29 States & 3 UTs of the country. Various extension activities are carried out for farmers under ATMA Scheme on different thematic areas including providing incentives and recognition to the progressive farmers and to impart training to them on latest technology and agronomic practices including those on pulses, oilseeds, oil palm and maize to improve production. Over 58 lakh farmers have been trained during 12th Plan Period under the Scheme.

(d): The Crop-wise and State-wise details of production and availability of High Yielding Varieties of certified / quality seeds of pulses, oilseeds and maize for Kharif 2016 and Rabi 2016-17 are given in the Annexures - II & III respectively. Further, Tenera is the ruling oil palm hybrid grown commercially all over the world as well as in all the Oil Palm growing states of India. Tenera has medium shell and high oil yielding mesocarp content.